

REMARKS

Prior to this Amendment, claims 147-166, 185, 186, and 188 were pending. By this Amendment, claims 185, 186, and 188 have been canceled. Accordingly, claims 147-166 are now pending.

The rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112

Claims 185, 186, and 188 were rejected for lack of enablement.

The Applicants do not agree with this rejection but, in the interests of expediting prosecution, have canceled claims 185, 186, and 188. The Applicants reserve the right to pursue claims 185, 186, and 188 in continuing applications.

The Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 147-166 are allowed. The Applicants look forward to prompt consideration of the Applicants' Request for Interference.


The time for responding to the Office Action was set for September 3, 2005. Therefore, it is believed that this response is timely. If this is in error, please treat this response as containing a Petition for the Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for a period sufficient to permit the filing of this paper and charge any corresponding fees to Kenyon & Kenyon's Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

The Applicants hereby make a Conditional Petition for any relief available to correct any defect seen in connection with this filing, or any defect seen to be remaining in this application after this filing. The Commissioner is authorized to charge Kenyon & Kenyon's Deposit Account No. 11-0600 for the Petition fee and any other fees required to effect this Conditional Petition.

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Respectfully submitted,

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